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TITLE: PLAYBACK OF STREAMED MEDIA

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is herewith filed in conjunction with the filing of a new U.S. Patent Application. Any fee required as a result of this Preliminary Amendment is attached. However, should the undersigned attorney be mistaken or should there be a fee deficiency, please charge deposit account no.: 50-1924 for the amount of the deficiency.

Please amend the application as shown below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

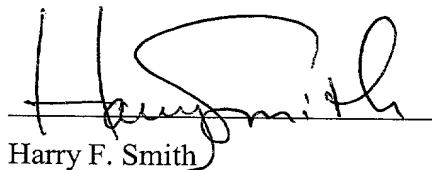
10. A method according to claim 8, wherein said at least one parameter indicative of a required property of the pre-decoder buffer is selected from a group including: a required pre-decoder initial buffering time, a required pre-decoder buffer size, or both a required pre-decoder initial buffering time and a required pre-decoder buffer-size.

REMARKS

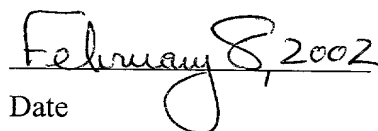
The amendment removes a multiple dependency from claim 10. The amendment was not made for a reason related to patentability, and the full range of equivalents for all of the elements of the amended claim, as well as for all of the other claims, should remain intact.

A favorable consideration that results in the allowance of all of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

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ADDED PAGE(S) TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Amend claim 13 as follows.

10. A method according to claim 8 ~~or 9~~, wherein said at least one parameter indicative of a required property of the pre-decoder buffer is selected from a group including: a required pre-decoder initial buffering time, a required pre-decoder buffer size, or both a required pre-decoder initial buffering time and a required pre-decoder buffer-size.